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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
G. SHANKAR et al.) Confirmation No.: 1334
Application No.: 09/904,099) Group Art Unit: 1646
Filed: July 11, 2001) Examiner: J. Ulm
For: CHIMERIC G PROTEIN COUPLED RECEPTORS	·)

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Sir:

NOTICE OF APPEAL TO THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision of the Examiner dated September 26, 2003, the period for replying to which has been extended three-months through March 26, 2004, finally rejecting claims 1-27.

1. Extension of Time

The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) apply.

Applicants believe that no extension of time is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that Applicants have inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition and fee for extension of

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\boxtimes	Applicants petition for an extension of time, the fees for which are set out in	
	37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a), for the total number of months checked below:	

Total Months Requested	Fee for Extension	[Fee for Small Entity]
one month two months three months four months	\$ 110.00 \$ 420.00 \$ 950.00 \$ 1,480.00	\$ 55.00 \$ 210.00 \$ 475.00 \$ 740.00

Extension of time fee due with this request: \$265.00 (small entity).

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a Petition therefor.

- \boxtimes An extension for 2 months has already been secured and the fee paid therefor of \$210.00 (small entity) is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested.
- 2. Notice of Appeal Fee - 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(b)
 - \boxtimes The fee in the amount of \$165.00 (small entity) to cover the appeal fee is enclosed.
 - \boxtimes The Commissioner is authorized to charge the appeal fee of \$165.00 (small entity) to Deposit Account No. 50-0310.

3. Fee Payment

 \boxtimes The Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 50-0310 in the amount of \$430.00 (small entity) representing \$165.00 (small entity) for the Notice of Appeal fee and \$265.00 (small entity) for the balance of three-month extension of time fee.

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4. Constructive Petition

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EXCEPT for issue fees payable under 37 C.F.R. § 1.18, the Commissioner is hereby authorized by this paper to charge any additional fees during the entire pendency of this application including fees due under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required, including any required extension of time fees, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 50-0310. This paragraph is intended to be a **CONSTRUCTIVE PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME** in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(3).

Respectfully submitted,

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